

Whitestown Town Council Meeting September 11, 2012

Dawn S calls the September 11, 2012 Public Hearing to order at 6:35 pm. Roll Call: Dawn Semmler, Susan Austin, Julie Whitman, Kevin Russell and Eric Miller; present. Pledge

Duly Noticed Public Hearing: Fiscal Year 2013 Annual Town Budget

Dawn S m/m to close Public Hearing, **Julie W 2nd**, vote 5-0, **motion carried**.

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Approval of Minutes; Susan A m/m to adopt minutes of the Emergency Meeting; **Kevin R 2nd**, vote 3-0-2, **motion carried**. **Dawn S** m/m to adopt minutes of the July Town Council Meeting; **Susan A 2nd**, vote 3-0-2, **motion carried**. Susan A m/m to adopt minutes of the August Town Council Meeting with noted correction; Julie W 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried. Julie W m/m to adopt minutes of the Redistricting Meeting, Kevin 2nd, vote 4-0-1, motion carried.

Presentations/Commendations/Recognitions:

#1 Go Kart Grand Prix; Dawn S and Nathan M discussed plans and timing of the event for the weekend of September 15th.

#2 Boone County EDC Update – Dax Norton. Dax was not present.

Parks Board Update:

Nathan M. Saturday, October 13, 2012 is date for the 5K Run. Discussed details of 5K. Susan A. discussed the Trail project. Nathan asked the council for \$40,000.00 for the Trail Fund to acquire property. Parks Dept. will re-appropriate \$10,000.00 for the Trail Fund. Discussion ensues regarding borrowing the \$50,000 from the Utilities. Discussion ensues. Discussed 5 year plan. Park Impact Fee 5 year plan, \$15,000. Parks Board voted to have Umbaugh complete the 5 year plan. Discussion ensues. Kevin R m/m to allow Nathan Messer, Parks Board President to sign a 5 year park impact fee study to be completed by Umbaugh not to exceed \$15,000; Julie W 2nd, vote 5-0, motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

#1 Update on Real Property Acquisition

#2 Town Website Modernization –#3 Consideration of Agreement with GRW Engineering for Traffic Sign Inventory and other related matters.

#4 Consideration of Resolution 2012-12 Town Utility Trust Fund Transfers. (TABLED) – More Information Needed

Susan A m/m to adopt Consent Agenda Items #1- Update on Real Property Acquisition and #3- Consideration of Agreement with GRW Engineering for Traffic Sign Inventory and other related matters; **Eric M 2nd**, vote 5-0, **motion carried**.

Dawn S m/m to authorize Tom Combiths to proceed with Website Modernization not to exceed \$6000; **Susan A 2nd**, vote 5-0, **motion carried**.

Dawn S m/m to Table Consent Agenda # 4.

NEW BUSINESS

#1 Renewal of Town Property and Casualty Insurance with Employers Mutual Casualty Company; Todd Settle, Zionsville Insurance spoke regarding premium and increases. Proposal from EMC is the most fiscal beneficial for the town. Discussion Ensues. **Susan A** m/m to authorize Dawn Semmler Council President to renew the policy; **Julie W 2nd**, vote 5-0, **motion carried**.

#2 Consideration of Town Council Policy Regarding Debt and Cash Management and Investments and Reserves, etc. Tom Combiths spoke regarding subject, draft was presented to the council. Discussion Ensues. Tabled until October

#3 Consideration of Interlocal Cooperative Agreement for Regional Water Study. Susan A went of this Agreement. Discussion ensues. **Resolution 2012-13 – INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT AMONG BOONE COUNTY, ADVANCE, JAMESTOWN, LEBANON (LEBANON UTILITIES), THORNTOWN, WHITESTOWN, ZIONSVILLE AND CITIZENS ENERGY MANANGEMENT COMPANY.**

Kevin R read Resolution 2012-13. **Susan A** m/m to adopt Resolution 2012-13 INTERLOCAL COOPERATION AGREEMENT AMONG BOONE COUNTY, ADVANCE, JAMESTOWN, LEBANON (LEBANON UTILITIES), THORNTOWN, WHITESTOWN, ZIONSVILLE AND CITIZENS ENERGY MANANGEMENT COMPANY; **Julie W 2nd**, vote 5-0, motion carried.

#4 Consideration of Amendment to Town Fair Housing Ordinance. Susan A discussed subject. **Dawn S** read **ORDINANCE 2012-13 TOWN OF WHITESTOWN, INDIANA; AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 2004-21 REGARDNG FAIR HOUSING.** Susan A m/m to suspend the rules and read by title only; **Eric M 2nd**, vote 5-0, motion carried. Dawn S read by title twice. **Susan A** m/m to adopt Ordinance 2012-13; **Julie W 2nd**, vote 5-0, **motion carried.**

#5 Consideration of Police Vehicle Lease. Police Chief Dennis Anderson spoke regarding project cost of leasing four (4) new Tahoes. Discussion ensues. **Dawn S** m/m to authorize Chief Anderson to order four new Tahoes not to exceed \$162,000 over a three year period; **Susan A 2nd**, vote 5-0, **motion carried.**

#5A Consideration of Digital Signage. Discussion ensues. **Susan A** m/m to authorize purchase of two digital road signs not to exceed \$39,800; **Eric M 2nd**, vote 5-0, **motion carried.**

OLD BUSINESS

#1 Consideration of a Resolution of Town Council Regarding Construction Change Order Policy for the Town.

Tom C discusses the Construction Change Policy. Discussion ensues.

Dawn S read **RESOLUTION 2012-14; A RESOLUTION ADOPTING A POLICY FOR CONSTRUCTION CHANGE ORDERS.** General Policy 2012-1. Tabled until October.

#2 Town Employee Handbook Amendments – Random Drug Testing. Tom C spoke on this matter. Discussion ensues. Tabled pending further information and discussion.

#3 Consideration of the Renaming of Town Roads – Actual Street Naming will occur after proper notifications – CR 400S and old SR 334. Jason spoke regarding a discussion with INDOT regarding the renaming of SR 334. They (INDOT) will not fund any projects for un-named roads. Discussion ensues. SR 334 from Stonegate to SR 267 will be named Whitestown Parkway. CR 400 S will be named Albert S. White Drive.

#4 Town Utility Management Staffing Appointments. Tom Combiths spoke regarding goals for Jason Lawson and Chad Nance. Discussion ensues. **Susan A** m/m to make titles permanent and Chad's wage increase on next paycheck; **Julie W 2nd**, vote 5-0, **motion carried.**

#5 Proposed Amended Employment Agreement by and between the Town of Whitestown and Town Manager Tom Combiths.

Dawn S m/m to table until next meeting; **Susan A 2nd**, vote 5-0, **motion carried.**

Update from Clerk Treasurer

Amanda A and Jason Lawson spoke regarding review of Rhonda Drew-Johnson. Discussion ensues. Review job positions by the end of December. **Dawn S** m/m to approve the \$1.00/hr raise effective immediately; **Julie W 2nd**, vote 4-0, **motion carried.**

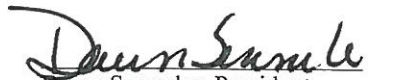
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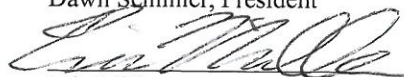
Tom C gave an overview of projects and activities in the town. Discussion ensues


Jason Lawson gave a brief update on activities of the Utility Department.


Dawn S m/m to close Whitestown Town Council meeting pending signing of claims; **Julie W 2nd**, vote 4-0, **motion carried**.


The minutes from a Regular Town Council meeting and Public Hearing on September 11, 2012 are approved on the 9th day of October 2012 by the following Town Council Members


Dawn Semmler, President

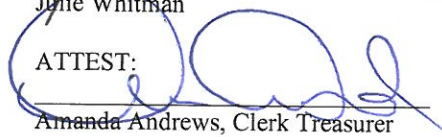

Eric Miller


Kevin Russell


Susan Austin


Julie Whitman

ATTEST:


Amanda Andrews, Clerk Treasurer